

The Star of the County Down

Traditional

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Lead

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Em G D Em Hm

1. Near to Ban-bridge town, in the Coun - ty Down, one mor - ning in Ju - ly, down a
 2. As she on - ward sped I shook my head and I gazed with a fee - ling quare ,and I
 3. She'd a soft brown eye and a look so sly, and a smile like the rose in June, and you
 4. I have travel - led a bit, but ne - ver was hit, since my ro - ying ca - reer be - gan; to be

Backing 1

Backing 2

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Em G D Em D Em

bo - reen green came a sweet col - leen and she smiled as she passed me by. Oh, she
 said, says I to a pas - ser - by, 'who's the maid with the nut - brown hair?' Oh, he
 hung on each note from her lily - white throat, as she lil - ted an I - rish tune at the
 fair and square I sur - ren - dered there to the charm of young Rose Mc - Cann. With a

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looked so sweet from her two white feet, to the sheen of her nut - brown hair, sure the
 smiled at me, and with pride says he: 'That's the gem of Ire - land's crown, she's young
 pat - tern dance you were held in trance as she tripped through a reel or jig, when her
 heart to let and no te - nant yet did I meet with - in shawl or gown but

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coa - xing elf, I'd to shake my - self, to make sure I was stan - ding there. Ref. Oh, from
 Rosie Mc - Cann, from the banks of the Bann, she's the star of the Coun - ty Down.
 eyes she'd roll, she'd coax upon my soul a spud from a hun - gry pig.
 in she went and I asked no rent from the star of the Coun - ty Down.

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G F Em Hm

Bant - ry Bay up to Der - ry Quay, and from Gal - way to Dub - lin town no

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Em C Am G Hm Em

maid I've seen like the sweet col - leen, that I met in the Coun - ty Down.